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City of Temple Notice of Wastewater Overflow

TEMPLE, **TX**, **- June 2**, **2016** – As a result of recent storms and excessive rainfall, the City of Temple's wastewater collection system has experienced a significant wastewater overflow at the following location:

FACILITY NAME:

City of Temple, Wastewater Collection System

LOCATION OF SPILL:

4320 Lion's Park Rd

ESTIMATED TIME AND DATE OF SPILL:

8:15 a.m. June 2, 2016

ESTIMATED VOLUME OF THE SPILL:

Approximately 125,000 gallons

TYPE OF SPILL:

Domestic Sewage

AREA POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

Inside the Lion's Park Area

SUSPECTED CAUSE OF THE SPILL:

Recent excessive rainfall surcharged the wastewater collection line, causing the discharge into the park area.

THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN:

The City of Temple notified the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, per regulation. City crews have mobilized to pump the contained discharge water back into to the wastewater collection system for proper wastewater treatment. In addition, crews will remove all debris and properly disinfectant the affected area.

ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS:

The public should avoid contact with waste material, soil, or water in the area potentially affected by the spill.

If the public comes into contact with waste material, soil, or water potentially affected by the spill, they should bathe and wash clothes thoroughly as soon as possible.

Persons using private drinking water supply wells located within 1/2-mile of the spill site or within the potentially affected area should use only water that has been distilled or boiled at a rolling boil for at least one minute for all personal uses including drinking, cooking, bathing, and tooth brushing. Individuals with private water wells should have their well water tested and disinfected, if necessary, prior to discontinuing distillation or boiling.

The City of Temple water is safe to drink. City of Temple residents should not experience any interruption of water services.